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forming a passageway in the heart wall at a location defined by the guide device;
and
expanding a stent within the passageway.

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6. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the stent is a collapsible stent.

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10. (Amended) The method of claim 7, wherein the second mechanism includes a stop mechanism and wherein the method further comprises advancing the stent within the passageway until the stop mechanism engages one of a wall of the coronary vessel and a surface of the heart wall.

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30. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein expanding the stent includes expanding the stent with an expansion device.

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32. (Amended) The method of claim 31, wherein the inflation device is a balloon that carries the stent, and expanding the stent includes inserting the balloon and the stent within the passageway and inflating the balloon.

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43. (Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising advancing the stent within the passageway until a stop mechanism engages the posterior wall of the coronary vessel.

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